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LOUISIANA Environmental Education STATE SYMPOSIUM

SYMPOSIUM HIGHLIGHTS

- Two days of **professional development opportunities** through short courses and breakout sessions.
- Earn up to 12 CLUs, getting lessons correlated to GLEs and NGSS
- **All exhibitors** place a special emphasis on Environmental Education
- **Network** with other educators from across the state
- Receive the **latest** in Environmental Education **information**
- Lots and lots of **free educational materials**

Baton Rouge Marriott 1-800-228-9290
Room rate is \$95 per night for single or double occupancy. Reservation link <http://goo.gl/LMPzOF>.

DRAFT AGENDA

Friday, February 19, 2016

8:00 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. **Short Course Activities***
Course times may vary. Descriptions listed inside brochure.
5:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m. **Registration**
6:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m. **Social/Mixer***
Meet the Exhibitors

Saturday, February 20, 2016

7:00 a.m. — 8:00 a.m. **Registration/Continental Breakfast***
8:00 a.m. — 9:00 a.m. **Concurrent Sessions**
9:00 a.m. — 10:00 a.m. **Keynote & Recognitions**
10:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions**
12:30 p.m. — 1:30 p.m. **Lunch* & LEEA Meeting**
1:30 p.m. — 2:30 p.m. **Concurrent Sessions**
2:30 p.m. **Grand Door Prize**

*Meals Provided

To register, please visit:
<http://goo.gl/UQ6KYS>



February 19-20, 2016
Baton Rouge Marriott
5500 Hilton Avenue, Baton Rouge

Presented by:



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Early Bird (Before Jan. 22)	\$35
Regular (After Jan. 22)	\$50
Pre-Service Teacher	\$25
Optional Short Course*	\$10

*Lunch provided

Attendees must register for the conference in order to register for a day-long Friday Short Course.

EASY ONLINE REGISTRATION!

<http://goo.gl/UQ6KYS>

If you prefer to pay by check, download the registration form and send it by mail (address on form).

www.wlf.la.gov/symposium-registration-mail

Exhibitors: for more information, contact Angela Capello at acapello@wlf.la.gov.

OPTIONAL FRIDAY SHORT COURSES

LEADING PRESCHOOLERS IN EXPLORATION

Energize your classroom through STEM! Capture the natural curiosities of your students through Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics with an emphasis on environmental science and active learning for young children! Join us for a jam-packed presentation that will provide classroom-ready ideas and activities to bring science and engineering to your Pre-K - 1st grade students!

Grade Levels: Pre-K-1

Location: ~~Hilltop Arboretum~~ BREC's Bluebonnet Swamp Nature Center

Presenter: Dr. Brenda Nixon, Co-Director of the Gordon A. Cain Center for STEM Literacy, Kathrin McGregor & Kellea LeBlanc

OPTIONAL FRIDAY SHORT COURSES

GREEN SCHOOLS TOUR

Take a tour of several schools in southeast Louisiana with exemplary environmental education programs and projects. From gardens and campus recycling programs to experimental labs, you're sure to get tons of new green initiative ideas for your school and classroom. See what works firsthand and find out what it takes to get a grant to make it happen! Transportation provided from the Marriott.

Grade Levels: Pre-K-12

Location: Van leaves from the Marriott

Presenters: Brian Gautreau, Louisiana Green Ribbon Schools Coordinator & Angela Capello, Louisiana

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife Educator

WATERSHED WEBS

The LEEC will launch their new Watershed Experience Tracker (WET) at this workshop! You will learn how to direct your students to collect & analyze data in a stewardship activity. Lead student debris cleanup expeditions, take water samples, and use our WET App to share and analyze data from throughout the Gulf States region. Participants will receive binder of GLE/NGSS correlated lessons, GPS unit, and water analysis equipment.

Grade Levels: 5-12

Location: La. Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries Headquarters

Presenters: Dinah Maygarden, UNO's Coastal Education Program & Thomas Gresham, Assistant Environmental Education Coordinator

DISCOVERING BIODIVERSITY

Participants in this exciting, dynamic workshop will receive hands-on instruction from experienced educators and biologists, get updates on Louisiana threatened and endangered species management initiatives, and go home with strategies and materials for including biodiversity instruction in the classroom. Attendees will receive a selection of related lessons with materials.

Grade Levels: K-8

Location: ~~To be determined~~—Waddill Wildlife Refuge and Outdoor Education Center

Presenter: Carrie Salyers, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife Threatened and

Endangered Species Educator

OCEAN EXPLORATION

Participants will be offered presentations and hands-on activities to learn more about the field of oceanography and how ocean exploration is conducted. Activity and topics will include ocean floor mapping, research cruise simulation, remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), ocean climate change, deep sea ecosystems, and much more. Classroom resources will be provided.

Grade Levels: 5-12

Location: Baton Rouge Marriott

Presenter: Murt Conover, LUMCON Senior Marine Educator

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